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Nutrient Management Initial Certification Sessions Scheduled Sessions are for individuals who are not now certified

Today, the Delaware Department of Agriculture and the University of Delaware announced the schedule for nutrient management certification sessions for individuals who are not already certified as nutrient generators, nutrient handlers, or nutrient consultants. The Delaware Nutrient Management Commission requires these courses for individuals who apply nutrients to **10 or more acres of land** or have **8 or more animal units**. (An animal unit is equal to 1000 lbs. of live weight.)

Following is a brief summary of certification needs:

- Sessions should be taken in order. For example, Session I should be taken before Session II.
- Poultry Growers that do not land-apply nutrients (manure or fertilizer) will need to attend Session I and Session II.
- Grain or Vegetable producers that apply nutrients to crops will need to attend Session I, Session II and Session III.
- Golf Course personnel that apply nutrients only to their employer's course need to attend Session I, Session II and Session III.
- Lawn Care Company personnel that apply nutrients to clients' lawns need to attend Session I, Session II, Session III and Session IV in order to become a certified Commercial Nutrient Handler

The University of Delaware is offering Nutrient Management initial certification sessions in Sussex and Kent counties.

Sussex County

Elbert N. and Ann V. Carvel Research and Education Center, 16483 County Seat Highway, Georgetown, DE 19947.

Session I	April 29, 2009	6 P.M. – 9 P.M.
Session II	May 6, 2009	6 P.M. – 9 P.M.
Session III	May 14, 2009	6 P.M. – 9 P.M.
Session IV : Commercial Nutrient Handler	May 20, 2009	6 P.M. – 9 P.M.
Session IV : Nutrient Consultant	May 20, 2009	6 P.M. – 9 P.M.
Commercial Nutrient Handler Exam	June 3, 2009	6 P.M. – 8 P.M.
Nutrient Consultant Exam	June 3, 2009	6 P.M. – 8 P.M.

Kent County

Kent County Cooperative Extension Office, Paradee Center Dover, DE 19901 (On Rt. 113 South)

Session I	August 20, 2009	1 P.M. – 4 P.M.
Session I	August 20, 2009	6 P.M. – 9 P.M.
Session II	August 27, 2009	1 P.M. – 4 P.M.
Session II	August 27, 2009	6 P.M. – 9 P.M.
Session III	September 1, 2009	1 P.M. – 4 P.M.
Session III	September 1, 2009	6 P.M. – 9 P.M.

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Session IV for Commercial Nutrient Handler	September 10, 2009	9 A.M. – 12 Noon
Session IV for Nutrient Consultant	September 10, 2009	1 P.M. – 4 P.M.
Commercial Nutrient Handler Exam	September 17, 2009	9 A.M. – 11 A.M.
Nutrient Consultant Exam	September 17, 2009	9 A.M. – 11 A.M.

Please note that these courses will not provide continuing education (CE) credits to individuals who are already certified. CE information may be found on the following website: http://ag.udel.edu/extension/NutriManage/continuinged.htm

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